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Hayward imposes 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew to quell looting, preserve rights to civil demonstrations and protests

HAYWARD, Calif., June 1, 2020—City Manager Kelly McAdoo, in consultation with Police Chief Toney Chaplin, will implement a citywide curfew beginning today at 8 p.m. The curfew requires people within the City of Hayward to stay indoors from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. until June 8.

The emergency order and curfew is in response to vandalism, looting and violence that followed peaceful and lawful demonstrations and protest in our community, around the Bay Area and nation over the killing of George Floyd in the custody of four Minneapolis, Minn., police officers.

“The death of Mr. Floyd was a sickening display of disregard for human life and dishonors the law enforcement profession,” said Police Chief Chaplin. “This curfew is intended to protect the rights of our community members to lawfully demonstrate, protest and express their anger, revulsion and demand for change in light of the death of this African-American man in police custody in Minneapolis.”

Exemptions to the curfew include:

- Police officers, firefighters and other City employees engaged in authorized emergency operations, and other personnel deployed by the City;
- Individuals who can establish to the satisfaction of a police officer that they are in such place for the sole purpose of traveling to a home or workplace or to obtain medical assistance;

- Authorized representatives of any news service, newspaper, radio or television station or network, or other news media organization; and
- People experiencing homelessness.

Violation of the curfew is a misdemeanor, and violators are subject to arrest or citation at the discretion of law enforcement.

The emergency order and curfew is effective immediately and will remain in effect until 5 a.m. on June 8, unless rescinded or extended by City Manager McAdoo.